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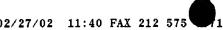
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| Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, affective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American inventors Protection Act of 1998 (AIPA). | Examiner Name | Jagdish Patel |
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